Extension of beat in MA 34 section from Nagereoil to Madurai

2342. SHRI N. THALAVAI SUNDARAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) whexher any, steps are being taken in regard to extension of beat in MA 34 secHoD from Nagereoil to Maduraii (Mail Service) by Chiief Post Master General, Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether as per the reply given by the Post Master General Tamil Nadu, the papers are pending before Delhi Office;

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay; and

(d) the measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) to (d) The question of extension of the beat of MA 34 Section fvom Tirunelveli to Nagarcoil was examined earlier and it^ was no* found feasible due to operational reasons. However, a fresh look is being given to the matter in a wider perspective taking into account other related Sections, in consultation with the oflBces it oomcerned.

Waiting list of telephone connections in Kanyakuroari

2343. SHRI N. THALAVAI SUN-r-ARAM: Will the Minibter of COM MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persbns waiting list for telephone] oooneictions in Kaayakumari district of Tamil Nadu, exchange-wise; and

(b) the reasons for delay in opening of telephone exchange building at »3otfaampamIy jn Kanyakumari district?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNCARTIONS (SHRI BENi PRASAD "'ARMA): (a) The details axe givea in the Statement. *(S^e* below).,

(b) There wa^ a delay in conunen-t'ing the construction work due *p* the interference of land owner after the land acquii^tion in May 94. How ever, construction of telephone ex-fJiange building at Boothapondi *i-"'* nearing completion now. Installation work for 1000 lines exchange is being taken up in the new buildini :nd the same will be commissione'l during 1997-98.

Statement

Exchange-wise waiting list for Telephone connections in Kanyakiimari District as an 31.03.1997

1.	Nagercoil	4,849
1	AlDora	73
3.	Aramboly	232
4.	Arumanai	301
5.	Azhagappapiu',am	337
6.	BoothapDndi	199
7.	Chcruvallur	123
3.	Colachel	499
9.	Kthamozhi	601
10	Kanyakumari	139
11.	Karingal	753
12.	Kattathur,ai	158
13.	Keeriparai	8
14.	Kollencode	300
15.	Kulasekaram	500
16.	KuzhSthurai	121
17.	Lower Kodayar	6
18.	Manakkavillai	210
19.	Marthandam	292
20.	Muttom	71
21	Neyyoor	734
22.	Painkul,am	958
23.	Ramapuram	131
24.	Swamithoppu	259
25.	Thadikarankonam	3